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QUERY—"HELL GATE?"

What is the true name of the passage in Long Island Sound, commonly called "*Hell Gate?*" I see it sometimes written *Hurl Gate*, and should be glad to know what is its proper name.—*Correspondent.*

Its proper name is *Hell Gate*, as we learn from the "*Novus Orbis*" of John de Laet, published at Antwerp by the Elzivirs in 1633. In the eighth chapter of his third book, devoted to a particular description of New Belgium, he thus writes:—"*In interiorem hunc sinum, majoris fluvii ramus, aut ut alii volunt, alius amnis exit, quem nostri, inferni os, vulgo, Helle Gat, appellant, &c., &c.*"

"In this inner bay, a branch of a greater river, or as some will have it, another river makes out, which our people call *inferni os;* in common speech, Hell Gate."

The latin version of de Laet, *inferni os*, leaves no doubt that the original name bestowed by the Dutch was, the Gate of Hell, Helle Gat; or, as we say, Hell Gate.

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